

MENTOR MICHIGAN DIRECTORY

ST. CLAIR COUNTY

This listing for St. Clair County is organized first by programs that serve the entire county, and second by programs serving a specific city within this county. The cities are listed alphabetically.

COUNTY-WIDE

Council on Aging, Inc. - Foster Grandparent Program

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Program Description:

The Foster Grandparent program recruits low income seniors as volunteer tutors and mentors for children who have special needs. The Foster Grandparents work in supervised settings, which include schools, community organizations, and faith-based organizations. The one-on-one mentoring programs are for preschool, elementary, middle, and high school students. There are many benefits for the volunteers, including a tax-exempt stipend if they income qualify, transportation assistance, an annual physical, a script-save card, a daily meal, recognition, and social events. Volunteers are supervised by professional staff and are supported by the Foster Grandparent Program. Foster Grandparents also become linked to a network of additional support, services, and activities. The greatest reward Foster Grandparents claim is a worthwhile reason to get out of bed in the morning, and the love and respect they receive from the children. Foster Grandparents are expected to make a nine month to one year commitment, which involves 15 to 20 hours per week during morning, afternoon, or evening hours.

COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED

ExperienceSeniorPower.com

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Program Description:

Through ExperienceSeniorPower.com, children and senior citizens learn computer and job skills together. Children receive an adult role model through these "adoptive grandparent" relationships and seniors have the opportunity to contribute their life experience and knowledge. This program includes one-on-one, group, team, and e-mentoring activities. Senior volunteers are expected to make a one year commitment during morning, afternoon, or weekend hours.

Michigan Youth Leadership Forum

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Program Description:

The Michigan Youth Leadership Forum involves 35 high school students that have disabilities. The students are integrated with other students and adults with disabilities to learn leadership, social skills, and citizenship. The program involves one-on-one, team, and peer mentoring and takes place during one week during the summer. The program is managed by the Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns. Volunteers are expected to commit to one full week in the summer and follow up activities.

COUNTY-WIDE CONTINUED

Volunteer Centers of Michigan

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Program Description:

Volunteer Centers recruit, train, and place volunteers in nonprofit organizations throughout their service area. They are inclusive, serving all nonprofits and residents—they do not limit their service to a particular issue, group of people, or type of activity. Michigan's Volunteer Centers are all prepared to assist mentors find organizations where they can volunteer. Volunteer Centers often take a leadership position in convening organizations and individuals to find solutions to complex community issues. They live their belief that people enrich their own lives and strengthen their communities through volunteer service.

Youth In Transition

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Program Description:

The Youth In Transition Program serves foster care youth, ages 14 through 21, who began foster care on or before their 14th birthday. These youth are in transition from moving out of their foster home into independent living and are in need of support from a one-on-one mentor. Volunteer mentors are expected to make a one year commitment, which involves four to six hours per month during afterschool, evening, or weekend hours.

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PROFIT-works

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Program Description:

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